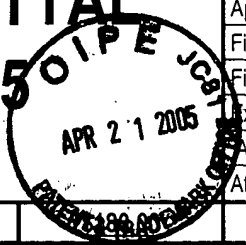


FEE TRANSMITTAL

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☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27



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TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT

METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply)

☐ Check ☐ Credit Card ☐ Money Order ☐ None ☐ Other

☒ Deposit Account Deposit Account No. 19-2167

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☒ Charge fee(s) indicated below
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FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES

Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	_____
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	_____
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	_____
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	_____
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	_____

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

Fee Description	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)	50	25
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)	200	100
Multiple dependent claims	360	180

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)	Multiple Dependent Claims
_____ - 20 or HP = _____	_____	x _____ = _____	_____	Fee (\$) Fee Paid (\$)
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

HP=highest number of independent claims paid for, if greater than 3.

Indep. Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
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3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE

If the specification and drawings exceed 100 sheets of paper (excluding electronically filed sequence or computer listings under 37 CFR 1.52(e)), the application size fee due is \$250.00 (\$125 for small entity) for each additional 50 sheets or fraction thereof. See 35 U.S.C. 41(a)(1)(G) and 37 CFR 1.16(s).

Total Sheets	Extra Sheets	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
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4. OTHER FEE(S)

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Other (e.g., late filing surcharge): Information Disclosure Statement

180.00

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Serial No.: 10/774,266

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Title: OPTICAL CONNECTION CLOSURE
HAVING AT LEAST ONE CONNECTOR
PORT

Art Unitt: 2874

Examiner: Prasad, Chandrika

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the document(s) listed on the attached PTO 1449. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed:

☐ Under 1.97(b) after the filing date of the application, but, to the best of Applicants' knowledge:

☐ within three (3) months of the filing date of the National application, which is not a continued prosecution application (CPA) under § 1.53(d); OR

☐ within three (3) months of the date of entry of the National stage as set forth in §1.491 in an international application; OR

☐ before the mailing of a first Office Action on the merits; OR

☐ before the mailing of the first Office Action after the filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under § 1.114.

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☒ Under 1.97(c) after the events recited above, but, to the best of Applicants' knowledge before the mailing date of any of a final action under § 1.113, a Notice of Allowance under § 1.311, or an action that otherwise closes prosecution in the application, and this submission is accompanied by:

☐ the statement specified in § 1.97(e); OR

☒ the fee set forth in § 1.17(p).

☐ Pursuant to 1.97(d) after the events recited above, but, to the best of Applicants' knowledge before payment of the issue fee, and this submission is accompanied by:

☐ the statement specified in § 1.97(e); AND

☐ the fee set forth in § 1.17(p).

STATEMENT SPECIFIED IN § 1.97(e)

Pursuant to 1.97(e), Applicants hereby state and affirm that:

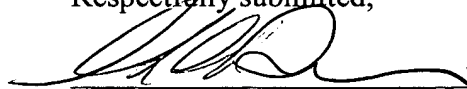
☐ each item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three (3) months prior to the filing of this information disclosure statement; OR

☐ no item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application, and, to the knowledge of the undersigned after making reasonable inquiry, no item of information contained in this information disclosure statement was known to any individual designated in § 1.56(c) more than three (3) months prior to the filing of this information disclosure statement.

Pursuant to the waiver of the requirement under 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2)(i), no copies of U.S. patents and/or U.S. patent application publications are included herewith because the above-identified application was filed after June 30, 2003.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed document(s) and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form. This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists and does not constitute an admission that each or all of the listed document(s) are material or constitute "prior art." If the Examiner applies any of the document(s) as prior art against any claims in the application and Applicants determine that the cited document(s) do not constitute "prior art" under United States law, Applicants reserve the right to present to the office the relevant facts and law regarding the appropriate status of such document(s). Applicants further reserve the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability of the disclosed invention over the listed document(s), should one or more of the document(s) be applied against the claims of the present application. If there are any fees due in connection with the filing of this response, please charge the fees to our Deposit Account No. 19-2167.

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